Renovation of Thermal Power Stations

596. SHRI D.B. CHANDRE GOWDA:

SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several state Governments are far behind in implementing the renovation of their thermal power stations in spite of adequate assistance from the Central Government;

(b) if so, what are the details of the assistance provided by Government to each State for the said task during the last three years; and

(c) what further efforts Central Government propose to make to renovate the thermal power stations in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) to (c) The renovation and modernisation programme was initated in 1984-85. Some States are well behind others in implementing the programme and details of Central assistance availed by various State Electricity Boards/Organisations up to January, 1987 are given in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below).

Guidelines in regard to modalities for implementation of the programme have been conveyed to the States and the electricity boards concerned and they have been asked to constitute special machinery designed to ensure expeditious implementation of the programme. In addition, senior officers of the Central Electricity Authority are holding review meetings at the site and are extending all possible assistance to the power station authorities.

Statement

Details of Expenditure incurred for R&M Schemes from Central Loan Assistance upto January, 1987

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of SEB/Orgn.	Assistance availed upto Jan. 1987
1	NTPC	411·43
2	DESU	737·50
3	HSEB	1140·21
4	PSEB	1787·42
5	UPSEB	2799·32
6	MPEB	622·12
7	GEB	979·64
8	MSEB	415·28
9	APSEB	753·92
10	TNEB	1390·91
11	NLC	74·81
12	OSEB	535·00
13	DVC	978·00
14	BSEB	619·01
15	WBSEB	696·17
16	DPL	481·00

Targets for Power Production

597. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of electric power produced in the country during the year 1985-86 and the target fixed for the year 1986-87;

(b) whether the target is likely to be achieved;

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor; and

(d) what furth er steps are proposed to be taken by Government to improve the supply of electric power in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) The energy generation in the country during 1985-86 was 170 Billion units and the target fixed for 1986-87 is 190 Billion units.

(b) and (c) Against the target of 190 Billion units during 1986-87, the generation expected is 186.5 Billion units. The shortfall will mainly be in the hydro generation on account of low hydel reservoir levels.

(d) The steps taken to improve the supply of power include expediting commissioning of new capacity, better utilisation of existing capacity, implementing short gestation projects, reducing transmission and distribution losses, implementation of energy conservation and demand management measures and arranging transfer of energy from surplus to deficit States.

Anta Power Project

598. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) when the actual construction work at Anta power project in Kota district of Rajasthan will start;

(b) what is the total estimate of the project and how much amount has been spent so far; and

(c) by when it is likely to start generating power?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) Construction work on the Anta power project, estimated to cost Rs. 316.74 crores, including the associated transmission system, has commenced and an amount of Rs. 84.15 lakhs was spent upto Jan., 1987.

(c) The first gas turbine unit would be commissioned in 24 months from the date of award of turnkey contract for the main plant equipment, with subsequent units following at intervals of two months each thereafter. The steam turbine unit would be commissioned in 36 months from the date of award of the turnkey contract.

Paper mills in the country

599. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of paper mills both in the public and private sectors set up by the Central Government till December 31, 1986 in each State;

(b) the total production of paper by these mills;

(c) whether this production is sufficient to meet the domestic requirement of paper;

(d) what steps have been taken by the Government to increase the production; and

(e) the total quantum ofpaper imported during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) As on 31st December, 1986 there are 288 mills in the country engaged in manufacture of paper and paper board. These include three mills set up in the Central Public Sector. The State wise position is given below:—

State/Union Territory	Total number of paper mills	Central Public Sector Units
1	2	3
Andhra Pradesh .	14	..
Assam . . .	3	1
Bihar . . .	7	..